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SUBJ: ATTITUDE OF NEW YARG TOWARD GVN

REF: (A) SAIGON 8039

(B) SANAA 1256

1. REF (B) RECOMMENDED WE HOLD OFF ON ENCOURAGING GVN TO APPROACH NEW YARG ON QTE CONTINUED RECOGNITION UNQTE. SINCE THAT RECOMMENDATION, INTERIM CIVILIAN CABINET HAS BEEN FORMED, ALBEIT STILL TIGHTLY CONTROLLED BY COMMAND COUNCIL. CABINET IS HEADED BY PRIMIN/FONMIN MUHSIN AL-AYNI, A NOTORIOUS OPPORTUNIST WHO LIKES TO CATER TO THE LEFT. WE THINC NORTH VIETNAMESE AND PRG, REALIZING THIS, ARE LIKELY RENEW PRESSURES ON YARG IN HOPES OF FINDING AL-AYNI MORE AMENABLE THAN EX-PRESIDENT IRYANI. WE SEE A VERY REAL DANGER THAT AL-AYNI WILL SUPPORT RECOGNITION OF PRG AND EXPLAIN THIS AWAY TO MILITARY LEADERSHIP AS NECESSARY ATTRIBUTE OF YEMEN'S NON-ALIGNMENT.

2. ACCORDINGLY, WE NOW THINK THERE IS MERIT IN GVN SEEKING TO MAKE CONTACT WITH YARG ALONG LINES PARA 1, REF (A). WE DOUBT YARG'S RESPONSE WILL BE ANYTHING BUT POLITELY OFF-PUTTING. BUT AT LEAST THIS GENTLY IMPLIED PRESSURE FROM GVN CAN BE A BALANCE TO
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ANTICIPATED RENEWAL OF PRG APPROACHES, WITH SOME

POSSIBILITY THAT PRESENT YARG LINE (PARA 1, REF (B))
CAN BE HELD DESPITE AL-AYNI'S PROCLIVITIES.
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